

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

April 18, 2000

H.R. 2647 Ak-Chin Water Use Amendments Act of 1999

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on April 5, 2000

H.R. 2647 would allow the Ak-Chin Indian Community in Arizona to extend and renew leases of its settlement water for off-reservation use. Under current law, such leases may not exceed 100 years. In addition, the bill would ratify and approve a lease agreement among the Ak-Chin Indian Community, the United States, and the Del Webb Corporation.

Based on information from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, CBO expects that H.R. 2647 would have no significant effect on the agency's administrative costs. Therefore, we estimate that any impact on discretionary spending as a result of this legislation would be negligible. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2647 would have no effect on direct spending or receipts, because any income resulting from additional leases would be paid directly to the Ak-Chin Community. Hence, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to the bill.

H.R. 2647 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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